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Office Action Summary

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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

Responsive to communication(s) filed on August 1, 2002

This action is **FINAL**.

Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, **prosecution as to the merits is closed** in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 1 1; 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

Claim(s) 1 -- 16 and 18 -- 30 is/are pending in the application.

Of the above claim(s) 3 -- 5, 9, 13 and 18 -- 30 is/are withdrawn from consideration.

Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

Claim(s) 1, 2, 6 -- 8, 12, 14, 15, 16 is/are rejected.

Claim(s) 10 and 11 is/are objected to.

Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction or election requirement

Application Papers

The proposed drawing correction, filed on _____ is approved disapproved.

The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are objected to by the Examiner

The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 (a)-(d)

Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 (a)-(d).

All Some* None of the:

Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.

Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received

in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a))

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Attachment(s)

Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). _____ Interview Summary, PTO-413

Notice of Reference(s) Cited, PTO-892 Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

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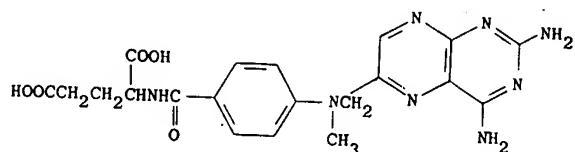
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Applicants' response and election of

August 1, 2003, *as noted.*

The claims in the application are claims 1—16 and 18—30.

Applicants elected claims 1—11 with D being methotrexate.



How is it connected? Through which acid function? The formula for methotrexate need be employed for D, combined into formula I.

What is a phospholipid head group in claim 1 in R2. Accordingly, claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph.

Claim 1 is too burdensome to examine without specifying the variables. Accordingly, claims 2—5 stand withdrawn, *pending clarification.*

Claim 2 need be cancelled and combined into claim 1.

Claims 6—8 are rejected solely as they are dependent *on* rejected claims.

Claims 9, 13 and 30 stand withdrawn as being directed to non-elected subject matter.

Claims 10 and 11 are objected to as their exact chemical structure *is unclear.*

Please provide chemical structure.

The treatment of inflammation is recommended as an establishable, believable, utility.

Treating controlled cell growth would be very difficult to prove and not acceptable on its face under 35 U.S.C. 112, 1st paragraph.

This is ~~371~~ application. 37 CFR 1.475 make it clear that applicant may have one use of their compounds examined with the elected compounds.

Applicants have not amended their method claims to one, therefore, they stand withdrawn.

Claims 12, 14, 15, 16 are rejected as being dependent on a rejected claim

Applicants cannot also elect claim 30, as that would be two methods. In addition, the making of a ~~composition~~ in claim 30, is notoriously old and known since the time of ~~Alchemists~~ working in caves. See any of the art of record. MPEP 806.05(h) provides for restricting the method claims out, altogether, where the compounds may be used for more than one purpose. Claims 18—30 allege more than one use.

Applicants may not petition the restriction requirement, at this point, as it has not be made Final; 37 CFR 1.144. This is a work in progress as to what the Final claims will be. Nothing has been ~~made~~ Final at this point.

In regard to claim 13, the agreement to examine ~~one~~ compound invention and one method of use is dependent on their being of the same scope. 13 is not of the same scope as it has an additional unknown anti-neoplastic agent. The claim would be classified in a different search area than the methotrexate elected here, as additional active ingredient claims are separately classified and searched. Therefore, there would be no way to determine if claim 13 were ~~patentable~~ with out considerable amendment and additional searches.


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